



Rules for Mobile or Temporary Commercial Outdoor Cooking Trucks, Trailers, Tents or Temporary Structures

A Commercial Outdoor Food Fire Safety permit shall be required to operate a Food Truck, Trailer, Tent or temporary structure within the corporate limits of the City of Smithville Tennessee.

Permits consist of:

❖ Annual Permit {1 year from date of issue}	\$ 25.00
❖ Temporary 2 Day permit (Limit 2 per year)	Free

- Open flame or other devices emitting flame, fire, or any flammable or combustible liquid, gas, charcoal or any other cooking device, or any other unapproved devices shall not be located inside Trucks, Trailers, Tents or Temporary structures.
Exception: Unless device is protected under a Type I hood with a fire suppression system and proper mechanical vents and safety shutoffs
- Deep fat frying devices shall not be located inside Cooking Trucks, Trailers, Tents or Temporary structures.
Exception: Unless device is protected under a Type I hood with a fire suppression system and proper mechanical vents and safety shutoffs
- Liquid Propane gas containers shall be located outside. Safety release valves shall be pointed away from the tent or structure and containers shall be securely fastened in place to prevent tipping over or unauthorized movement.
- Outdoor cooking that produces sparks, smoke, or grease – laden vapors shall not be performed within 20 feet of a tent or membrane structure or 10 feet of a building or vehicle.
- Flammable liquid–fueled equipment shall not be used in tents or membrane structures
- A Certificate of Flame Resistance must be readable and affixed to the tent used for cooking purposes.
- Electrical cooking equipment that meets NFPA 70 and commercial hood requirements is allowed.
- Appropriate Portable fire extinguishers shall be required to match cooking appliance.
Example: ABC – (2A 10BC) [for normal cooking device] or Type K extinguisher for cooking oils
- Smoking is prohibited in tents or temporary structures.



- Combustible materials must be stored more than 20 ft from the structure or tent.
- Fire department shall have a minimum access of 10 ft access.
- Outdoor Cooking or cooking trucks, trailers shall be separated from Assembly tents by at least 20 feet.
- Cooking Trucks, trailers, tents of temporary structures should be at least 10 feet apart and at least 10 feet from buildings or vehicles
- Trucks or trailers must have proof of current liability insurance.
- A current Food Service inspection permit from Tennessee Department of Health must also be valid in order to legally operate within the City of Smithville
{This city fire permit is for fire codes only it does not replace the Tennessee Department of Health Food Inspection permit}

*Reference code: International Fire Code 2012 Edition (IFC) 3103 -3104
International Mechanical Code (IMC) 506-507
International Fuel & Gas Code (IFGC) 623*

*Smithville Ordinance # 459,
Smithville Ordinance # 462,
Smithville Ordinance, # 463
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You may obtain a copy of the rules or apply for a permit by contacting the City of Smithville during normal business hours at:

City of Smithville
License & Codes
104 East Main St.
Smithville, TN. 37166
615-597-4745 Option # 2

All fees paid to: The City of Smithville